

## **Co-ops Feasibility Class**

**CO-OP TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM** 



## Are you interested in Starting a Cooperative in the City of Minneapolis?

The City of Minneapolis is offering a class for groups interested in creating a cooperative. The class will equip the participants with tools to evaluate their co-op idea and/or to refine their model for those that are already in the process of incorporation.

## **Topics:**

Session 1: Introduction of participants, co-op business model, and participant projects; Session 2: Understanding and leading the development process; Session 3: Developing a business plan, building a sustainable co-op business enterprise; Session 4: Building the democratic community and co-op feasibility study; Session 5: Focus on financials; Session 6: Cooperative governance; Session 7: Legal framework; Session 8: Resources and moving forward

Place: City of Minneapolis Innovation Center

Crown Roller Mill Building, 105 5th Ave S, #150, Minneapolis, MN 55401

When: May 11, 2016 (eight (8) sessions of two (2) hours each)

**Time:** 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

## **Eligibility:**

- Groups interested in locating a co-op in Minneapolis
- Groups of 2 to 3 people (not for individuals)
- Groups must have selected a product or service to evaluate prior to the class
- Commitment to attend the eight (8) sessions and work on the feasibility plan

**Cost:** This program is sponsored by the City of Minneapolis and there is no cost to participate

Interested?

**Registration** More details

